

VILLAGE OF LAKE PARK AUTOMATED EXTERIOR DEFIBRILATOR (AED) POLICY

PURPOSE: The purpose of this policy is to provide general guidelines and information regarding the use of any Automated Exterior Defibrillator (herein also referred to as “AED”). An AED device is capable of terminating certain potentially fatal arrhythmias during a cardiac arrest event and are used frequently for the provision of timely emergency attention to a victim.

LOCATION: Any AED for use in the Village will be located at a predetermined location inside the Village Community Center. At any time the Community Center is unoccupied and locked attempts to notify 911 of the circumstances should be made before any entry attempt is made to obtain access to the AED.

AED USE:


- The AED device is to be used in conjunction with aid being delivered to a victim who is not responding, not breathing or not breathing normally and has no visible or other sign of circulation, such as normal breathing, coughing or body movement.
- The AED should NOT be attached to persons who are breathing, conscious or responsive.
- The AED should be utilized by persons trained and/or certified to use an AED devices or otherwise trained in CPR.
- A person may, in their discretion, provide voluntary assistance to a victim of a medical emergency but the extent of their response shall be appropriate to their training and experience. Any such person is encouraged to contribute to the emergency response only to the extent that they are comfortable which may include administering CPR, use of the AED or other medical first aid.
- Communication with 911 is imperative in any situation involving the possible use of the AED and should be done as quickly as possible.
- The AED should NOT be used with children under the age of one (1) year.

READINESS AND EQUIPMENT OVERSIGHT:

- Village of Lake Park employed staff will maintain, to the best of their ability and understanding, the AED to assure that the device is in state of readiness and functional at any needed time of use.
- Village of Lake Park employed staff will register the AED with the local county EMS agency.
- The Village will periodically reference the AED device and its location in available platforms such as social media accounts and the Village Newsletter.

- A quick reference card will be displayed with or near the AED which indicates how to properly use the AED.
- A demonstration of how to use the AED will be offered to any Village employee, Council Member, Mayor upon request.
- The local county EMS agency will be notified when there has been use of the AED.
- The AED will be checked after each use and on a recurrent basis, not to exceed 120 days, to determine its readiness for use.
- Checks of the AED should include the following:
 - A. Assuring that the device is operational, the battery is charged and the device activates as shown by a readiness display.
 - B. Check the expiration dates on any electrode packets and replace if expired.
 - C. Remove the AED from access after use until it has been checked and pads have been replaced.

The effective date of this general policy is as directed by resolution preceding.


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Attest:


 Cheri Clark
 Village Administrator

